

## CZAR IN PANIC.

Names New Commander for His Beaten Army.

RETREATING TO KAIYUAN.

Japs May Succeed in Cutting the Russians Off.

Gen. Linievitch Now in Charge—Order Re-calling Kuropatkin Gives No Praise for Services He Has Rendered—Has Frequently Retreated Against Lack of Support at Home—Linievitch Popular With the Troops—Rear Guard Fight Continues as Harassed Army Falls Back.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN.  
ST. PETERSBURG, March 17.—It is officially announced that Gen. Linievitch has been appointed to succeed Gen. Kuropatkin. Gen. Kuropatkin's recall, as published in the *Official Messenger*, is made in the coldest terms. It does not mention his distinguished services and no thanks are accorded him. The terms in which the announcement is made entirely disprove the assumption that he resigned. It is understood that Gen. Kuropatkin left Tieling on Wednesday evening for St. Petersburg.

The news of the recall of Gen. Kuropatkin was received at Harbin with despair. The town is overcrowded with wounded men. Many Chinese and Koreans have been arrested.

BURNED STORES AT TIELING.  
TOKIO, March 17.—An official report says that two-thirds of the provisions which the Russians had stored at Tieling railway station were burned, having been set on fire by the Russians when they began their retreat.

The Japanese captured many trophies and also prisoners, the number of whom has not yet been estimated.

LINEVITCH DIRECTOR-GENERAL.

PARIS, March 17.—The *Petit Parisien* says that Grand Duke Nicholas Nicolaievitch, Inspector-General of the Russian Cavalry, has been appointed commander-in-chief of the armies in Manchuria; Gen. Linievitch, Director-General; Gen. Sukhomlinoff, chief of staff; Gen. Sakharoff, assistant chief of staff; Gen. Kaubers, commander of the First Army; Gen. Gripenberg, commander of the Second Army; and Gen. Guerschmann, commander of the Third Army.

A St. Petersburg despatch to the *Petit Journal* says that Gen. Kuropatkin lost eighty guns at Tieling. His loss in killed and wounded there is estimated at 19,000.

RETREAT TOWARD KAIYUAN.

LONDON, March 18.—The *Tokio* correspondent of the *Telegraph* says that the Japanese occupied Tieling without severe fighting, the main force of the Russians hastily retreating toward Kaiyuan, twenty-five miles north of Tieling, to prevent being enveloped. This programme surely will be repeated in the future. Kaiyuan is a wide position and does not offer an opportunity for effective resistance. The Japanese are pressing home their advance with splendid dash.

The correspondent adds that Prime Minister Katsura, addressing a meeting of Tokyo financiers to celebrate the capture of Mukden, said it would be difficult to predict when the war would end. It would be an enormous task completely to subdue Russia and it would require the whole of the Japanese nation to do it. He hoped that financiers would generously aid the Government. The Prime Minister added that the result thus far of the fighting had been much better than had been anticipated at the beginning of the war. It was like entering the gates of death—all was uncertainty.

Many foreigners in Japan are subscribing to the internal loan.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the *Standard* says that the issue of orders for the mobilization of 400,000 fresh troops is definitely expected on Saturday. He reiterates that the *Czar* is suffering from a nervous breakdown.

KUROPATKIN AND HIS SUCCESSORS.

The supersession of Gen. Kuropatkin is the central fact in to-day's war news. Except among his enemies he is personally the object of much sympathy. His simple, honest character is well known, and his unrelenting care of the men of his command is no less familiar. Whether or not his capacity as a General was adequate to his task, it is felt that he has been the victim of numerous adverse circumstances, among which official corruption and peculation that hampered his resources were not the least disastrous.

According to the St. Petersburg correspondent of the *Morning Post*, his private despatches vehemently reproach the home authorities for his lack of supplies and charge his officers with being impervious to ideas of military discipline, they being more prone to civil orders than to obey them. His successor, Gen. Linievitch, probably will be more acceptable to the remnants of Gen. Kuropatkin's soldiery than anybody except the *Idol*, Kuropatkin. He is reputed to be closer in touch with the rank and file than any other commander who could be appointed.

He was never a guardman or a member of the *Czar's* suite. He is just a plain infantry officer, who has forced his way to the top by his personal energy. He is lame from the effects of a wound received in the Pekin expedition, and when he took up the command of the first army on the *Su River* he made a speech to the officers, in which he said:

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the report that Grand Duke Nicholas Nicolaievitch has been appointed to the supreme command of the Manchurian forces. He is practically an untitled commander. He has only seen service in the Russo-Turkish war under his father, whose mismanagement of the campaign, according to common belief, necessitated his eventual supersession, virtually though not in name, by Gen. Todleben.

REAR GUARD FIGHTING.  
Meanwhile only the most meagre and vaguest news has been received of the actual state of the shattered army, which, according to unofficial reports, is terribly harassed in its retreat. It is compelled continually to fight rear guard actions. Both flanks are being constantly overtaken, forcing them to make ceaseless changes of front.

There is no confirmation of the report that the Russians have been cut off from the north.

PEACE MOVEMENT GROWS.  
The St. Petersburg correspondent of the *Times* says it is stated that the first act of Gen. Linievitch on taking over the command of the Russian forces in Manchuria was to suspend all press telegrams. All the Generals whom the *Czar* consulted in St. Petersburg, including Grand Duke Nicholas Nicolaievitch, declined to assume Gen. Kuropatkin's heavy burden.

The correspondent adds that for the first time since the war the rate of exchange declined and the bourse was agitated by rumors that the proposed loan in France had failed. The Government intends, in case the internal loan fails, to resort to another issue of lottery bonds.

The correspondent represents March 17 as being one of the most important days of the war. He says that nobody expected the sudden departure of Gen. Kuropatkin from the front. Other circumstances have given starting impetus to the peace movement. The conviction is quickly spreading that victory is impossible and that peace is indispensable. He quotes a well informed personage as saying that a suspension of hostilities may be expected within a month to permit a consultation between representatives of the Russian nation regarding the terms of peace.

CREMATING DEAD AT MUKDEN.  
There were 55,000 Russian Corpses Left on That Field.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.  
LONDON, March 17.—Several despatches from correspondents with the Japanese left army, Gen. Oku's command, filed within the past few days, are published here to-day. One of the messages, sent from field headquarters yesterday, says that the Japanese army is confident that the result of the victory at Mukden will be to hasten peace. The thousands of Russian dead left on the field are being cremated. It is estimated that the total forces actually engaged in the fighting numbered 1,000,000 men.

A despatch filed on Wednesday describes Field Marshal Oyama's formal occupation of Mukden. The Japanese commander-in-chief and his staff entered the city by the south gate. Many of his troops, who were encamped about the town, lined the streets displaying their tattered battle flags. The Chinese officers of the city extended a formal welcome to Marquis Oyama.

The Russian prisoners number over 45,000. The Russian killed and wounded are estimated at 100,000. Of these 35,000 dead were left on the field. Gen. Oku's army lost from 15,000 to 20,000 killed and wounded. The total loss of the enemy, including prisoners, was 150,000.

RUSSIA'S WAR FUND.

Enough Money on Hand to Continue the War for Six Months.

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LONDON, March 17.—The *Paris* correspondent of the *Pall Mall Gazette* says he is officially informed that the resources of Russia immediately available are sufficient to enable her to continue the war till September.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the *Standard* telegraphs that the representatives of the French banking syndicate left St. Petersburg to-day without concluding the Russian loan. The information of the Rothschild London house is to the same effect.

LONDON, March 18.—According to the *Standard*, March 18.—The *Echo* of *Paris* says that the Nobel prize is to be conferred upon King Victor Emmanuel of Italy in recognition of his establishment of the International Institute of Agriculture, the plan of which was recently suggested to him by Mr. Lubin of Sacramento, Cal.

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BALTIC FLEET SAILS.  
Leaves Madagascar, but Its Destination Is Not Known.

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LONDON, March 17.—A news agency says that the Russian fleet has sailed from Madagascar.

despatch from Antananarivo, Madagascar, says that the Russian fleet sailed from that port yesterday afternoon. Its destination is unknown.

PARIS HEARS PEACE RUMOR.

Russian and Japanese Ambassadors See M. Delcasse.

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PARIS, March 17.—It is stated that the Russian and Japanese Ambassadors had interviews with Foreign Minister Delcasse late last evening, and it is understood that the interviews had reference to peace negotiations.

ROYAL HONORS FOR GARCIA.

Celebration of the Musician's One Hundredth Birthday.

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LONDON, March 17.—Manuel Garcia, the famous singing master, who gave the first performance of Italian opera in New York in 1825, celebrated to-day the 100th anniversary of his birth. King Edward received him at Buckingham Palace and conferred upon him a commandership in the Royal Victorian Order. Afterward a centenary celebration was held, which was attended by a number of scientists and musicians. The Marquis Villaher, Spanish Chargé d'Affaires here, congratulated Prof. Garcia in behalf of King Alfonso and then conferred upon him the decoration of the Royal Order of Alfonso XII.

The German Emperor has bestowed upon Prof. Garcia the Gold Medal for Science, and Prof. Frazer of Berlin will bring the medal to London and present it to the centenarian.

Prof. Garcia wound up his day of activities by attending a banquet at the Hotel Cecil. He showed remarkable physical vigor. He trotted down the stairs of the hotel ahead of his companions. While doing so he missed a step and tottered. An attendant grasped him by the arm, and the centenarian shook him off indignantly and proceeded alone. He received an ovation as he entered the banquet hall. His voice broke with emotion as he was answering the congratulatory speeches, but mentally he was keen.

CALLS IT COMEDY MARRIAGE.

French Attorney-General Closes Hearing in the Swain-Gardner Suit.

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PARIS, March 17.—The hearing was concluded to-day in the case of Carrie Swain, formerly an American actress, against Frank L. Gardner, a millionaire racehorse owner, to establish that they were married and to receive \$200,000.

The Attorney-General said that both parties had knowingly played a comedy. The relations between the two could be described as a liaison. There was a moral obligation on Mr. Gardner to provide for the woman, with whom he had lived for fifteen years, but no legal marriage could be proved. The plaintiff was not entitled to use the name of Gardner.

Judgment will be rendered in a fortnight.

AMERICA AND GERMANY.

Count Reventlow Thinks They Should Unite Against England.

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BERLIN, March 17.—Count Reventlow, a well known public critic, discussing in the *Tagliche Rundschau* the improved relations between Germany and the United States, arrives at the conclusion that America has definitely made her appearance in the international arena as the opponent of Great Britain, for which reason her interests are identical with Germany's.

He is of the opinion that the Far East is a promising field for American and German cooperation, and also that Japan may possibly be induced to make common cause with them against Great Britain's monopolistic endeavors.

PLAN FOR HOME RULE FUND.

Cardinal Moran Promotes That Australia Will Contribute.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, March 17.—Cardinal Moran, who is in Australia, to-day to John Redmond, the Irish leader, in the House of Commons, the greetings of Irish Australians, and said that they proposed the establishment of a Home Rule fund of \$100,000 a year to be subscribed by "the united churches." He guarantees that Australia will contribute her share.

Mr. Redmond replied: "In the name of the Irish party I thank your Eminence for your noble message of sympathy and support."

KAISER SUPPRESSES A BOOK.

Scandalous Account of His Private Life Is Confiscated.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

BERLIN, March 17.—The book entitled "The Private Lives of William II. and His Consort," published by Heinrich Heine, which is dirty and dull as well as scandalous, has been confiscated by order of the Civil Court.

Prince Ferdinand at Santo Domingo.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

SANTO DOMINGO CITY, March 17.—The Italian cruiser *Calabria* arrived here on Wednesday with Prince Ferdinand of Savoy on board. The Italian colony will give a ball in the Prince's honor to-night and the United States Minister Dawson will give him a banquet. The commander of the *Calabria* and the Dominican Government seem to be on very good terms.

Queen Alexandra Sails.

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PARIS, March 17.—Queen Alexandra, accompanied by the Princess Victoria and the Prince and Princess Charles of Denmark, and with Sir Frederick Treves, the surgeon in attendance, sailed from Southampton for Lisbon to-day on board the royal yacht *Victoria and Albert*.

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## THE NATIONAL CHAIRMANSHIP

CORTLEY'S AUTHORITY TO NAME ONE IS QUESTIONED.

Some Republicans Declare That It Was Unintended When Cortley Was Elected That He Would Name One as Seen as the Campaign Was Over.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—In connection with the gossip going on in Washington relative to the acting chairmanship of the Republican national committee, the question was raised to-day at whether Chairman Cortley has authority to make a selection. The contention is made that whatever power of this kind was vested in the chairman at the time of the organization of the committee in Chicago last June was for the campaign period only.

It is understood that Senator Scott of West Virginia, a member of the national committee and the executive committee, raised this question in conferring with party leaders interested in the party organization. Senator Scott, however, declined to discuss the matter.

Chairman Cortley was asked to be excused from an interview, but one of his close friends made the statement that the chairman undoubtedly has authority to name a vice-chairman. "He has the same authority as a vice-chairman that was given Chairman Hanna in the campaign of 1904," was the statement of this friend.

Some Republican leaders who have been following the organization discussion of the committee with intense interest, recalled, when the question of Cortley's authority was raised to-day, that at the time the national committee met immediately upon the adjournment of the national convention the statement was freely made that opposition to Mr. Cortley for the chairmanship was withdrawn or repressed.

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Those who are now contending that Chairman Cortley has no authority to name a vice-chairman, say that whatever authority was vested in the chairman, so far as the duties of a chairman, or resign, the chairmanship after the campaign was over and let the committee choose its own head.

While there is no positive evidence of an understanding between Cortley and the committee, it is apparent that the situation has become extremely delicate, to say the least, and that much depends upon the attitude assumed by the committee. Mr. Cortley, who is understood to be insistent upon his right to name a vice-chairman and determined to do so within the next day or two.

JAPAN AND THE PHILIPPINES.

Senate Discusses Hull's Interview as to the Future of the Islands.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Mr. Carmack of Tennessee caused an interesting diversion in the Senate to-day by having the secretary read a special despatch from Des Moines, Ia., quoting Representative John A. T. Hull as saying that the Japanese were anxious to acquire the Philippines and proposed to take steps to seize them after the war with Russia was over.

Mr. Hull said the views expressed by Mr. Hull were concurred in by American naval officers in the Far East, who were unanimous in the opinion that Japan resented the intrusion of the United States in Asiatic affairs and was disposed to bring the question of controlling the Philippines to the test of arms. He presented a letter from Secretary Taft, recently published, as to the inability of the Philippines to govern themselves and discussing the ultimate fate of the islands.

Mr. Lodge said that the interview with Mr. Hull had not been confirmed and that he doubted its authenticity. At any rate, "Well," said Mr. Lodge, "the interview with Mr. Hull was alone in entertaining them. Mr. Lodge offered an interview with Minister Takahira of Japan, published to-day, which was in keeping with his designs upon the Philippines."

Mr. Duffell said he questioned the accuracy of the alleged interview with Mr. Hull and said he did not reflect the opinion of the people of Iowa.

Mr. Allison made a similar statement.

Mr. Spooner said he had no doubt that when the Philippines reached that development where they could govern themselves independence would be given them, if they desired it. But however the Democratic and Republican parties might differ, the wisdom of the acquisition of the Philippines or as to the policies in the meantime to be pursued toward them, there was one position held by both parties, namely, they did not differ, namely, that there was no Government in the world that could take from the United States in the East or in the West anything which belonged to it. [Applause.]

JUST WHAT HULL SAID.

DES MOINES, Ia., March 17.—Representative Hull to-day repudiated the interview with Mr. Lodge, declaring that the Japanese would need to acquire the Philippines by purchase, failing in which they would precipitate a war which would probably result in the acquisition of the islands.

He says he made no reference whatever to the possibility of purchasing the islands, but did say that Japan's ambition, after having conquered China and Russia, would naturally lead her to covet the Philippines, and that we must increase our navy and fortify the Philippine and Hawaiian islands to safeguard our interests.

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## RUSSIAN PEASANT AGITATION.

Chronic Shortage of Food Chief Cause of the Trouble.

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ST. PETERSBURG, March 17.—The peasants' agitation is now general in all the grain provinces. Correspondents who have been sent to investigate the situation state that the chief cause of the trouble is the chronic shortage of food owing to the distribution of land not keeping pace with the constant increase of the population, but the mobilization of troops and the return of penniless and disabled soldiers from the war have brought matters to a head.

The Socialists are now engineering the movement. They have issued a notification to land owners that no work must be done on their land when sowing time comes. The peasants are refusing to pay the land tax or to work out the money advanced to them during the winter. In the Baltic provinces the peasants are refusing to feed the cattle unless there is an immediate redistribution of land.

There is despondency everywhere over the Manchurian situation. The latest peace talks take the form of a suggestion that China notify the powers interested in the integrity of that empire that the sufferings of the Chinese in Manchuria demand the cessation of the fighting. If the Powers acted on a suggestion Russia, perhaps, would take advantage of it to extricate herself, but at present there is not the least evidence that the *Czar* is so disposed.

MOTHERS' CONGRESS ADJOURNS.

It Pledges Renewed Opposition to Senator Smoot and Calls for a Pure Press.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The National Congress of Mothers adjourned to-day. The most important business of the closing session was the selection of Los Angeles, Cal., as the place for the meeting next year. A resolution was unanimously adopted pledging the congress to renewed opposition to Senator Reed Smoot and denouncing the spread of Mormonism in this country. Another resolution calling for a "pure press" was adopted.

"That we will have supervision over all papers that enter our homes, endeavoring to exclude the objectionable in literary and advertising matters, and use our influence in cultivating the public taste until it shall demand from the press only that which upholds the highest standard of morality."

Resolutions were adopted protesting against objectionable theatricals and other powers of a bad moral influence, and forbidding the illegal sale of cigarettes. Other resolutions were adopted thanking Mrs. Roosevelt for her hospitality to the congress; to secure laws giving a mother an equal right of possession to her children with the father; and pledging the congress to scatter as much educational literature as possible among the people of the country.

NORTHERN SECURITIES CASE.

Motion for Immediate Mandate Taken Under Adversity by Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—General Counsel Cloud, on behalf of the Northern Securities Company, to-day asked the Supreme Court to issue at once its mandate in the case recently decided against E. H. Harriman and others. Mr. Cloud said that until the issuance of the mandate the injunction granted by the United States Circuit Court for the District of New Jersey restraining the distribution on a pro rata basis of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern shares held by the Securities Company would stand, thus trying up \$500,000,000 of property. It seemed to the Securities company that this was good reason for the immediate issuing of the mandate.

Maxwell Everts of counsel for Harriman and others, said that this motion, on the ground that the mandate would not issue until the opinion of the court had been handed down.

Chief Justice Fuller said Mr. Cloud's motion was in print. Mr. Cloud said it was in typewriting; the rules provided that such motions should be in writing, but the chief justice said that if necessary the Chief Justice suggested that it be done. He then announced that the court would take the motion under advisement.

WORK AT NAVY YARD TO GO ON.

Appropriation for the Battleship Connecticut Not Yet Exhausted.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—It is not probable that it will be found necessary, as was expected a few days ago, to stop work on the battleship *Connecticut* at the Brooklyn navy yard on account of the lack of funds. The naval bill passed by Congress included an amendment making it a condition of the appropriation for the *Connecticut* that the appropriation for the training ship *Cumtux* be expended before the *Connecticut* was to be started. It was recently discovered that the appropriation for the training ship *Cumtux* was not expended until the beginning of the new fiscal year, July 1. An investigation was made of the condition of the appropriation for the *Connecticut* and it is probable that the work on the warship will continue.

Army and Navy Orders.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—These army orders were issued to-day: The following named officers were detailed to fill vacancies in the military secretary's department: Lieut. Col. Thomas P. Davis, Thirtieth Infantry, vice-Lieutenant Col. Alfred C. Sharpe, assigned to the Thirtieth Infantry. Major James H. Hays, First Cavalry, vice-Lieut. Col. James Hays, relieved. Lieut. Col. Henry O. S. Hestland, military secretary, relieved. Major Albert Todd, military secretary, who will proceed to St. Paul, Minn., to take command of the Thirtieth Infantry. Major W. B. Wilder, U. S. Cavalry, who will wait orders.

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## VICTIM OF ELEVATED CRUSH.

MAN FELL OR WAS PUSHED TO HIS DEATH FROM PLATFORM.

Two Trains Ran by Canal St. and Crowd Was Dense—Mortimer Says Goldberg Fell Backward to Track 15 Feet Ahead of Car—Tried Vainly to Save Him.

Isaac Goldberg of 402 Third avenue was killed last night on the Third avenue elevated road at Canal street. The man either slipped or was pushed off the platform in front of